The State Guests Department.

218. *MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the monthly expenditure for the State Guests Department; and

(*b*) the average number of guests the Department is expected to serve?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Rs. 2,925.

(*b*) 20.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): What was the monthly expenditure, on account of the entertainment of State Guests, before the formation of this State Guests' Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The amount of Rs. 2,925 includes the pay of the Directress and of her staff which comes to Rs. 770 roughly. So the expenditure till now was Rs. 2,925 *minus* Rs. 770.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know whether the number 20 represents the number of guests *per month* or *per year*?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Per year.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the percentage of males and females? (*Laughter.*)

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have no information, Sir; I claim notice.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): May I know whether the figure includes the cost on the establishment alone or the total cost on account of the guests?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It includes the pay of the Directress, of the Superintendent of the State Guest House, of the Assistant Superintendent, of the Steward, of the Head Butler, of the Peons, and Drivers, the maintenance of the garden, the upkeep of the bungalow, etc.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): Does it include the expenditure on account of cooks?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Who is the Directress, Sir?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I could refer the member to the Government Notification dated the 18th June 1934 appearing at page 130 of the Government Gazette dated the 19th June 1934.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I ask whether she is not a retired Government servant?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether there is any special reason for the Government preferring a retired officer?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government thought that that person was best suited for the appointment.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil, I*): Has there been any complaint from any of the State Guests that their needs were not properly attended to?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Then, what was the necessity for the creation of this post?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): For better supervision and more efficient control of the arrangements.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether the number of guests is on the increase or on the decrease since the formation of the Department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is just a couple of months since the Department has been formed and so it is too early to say whether the number of guests is on the increase or on the decrease.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know the amount spent on cooks for the State Guests?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have no information at present. I claim notice.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether there is a similar Department in Mysore?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) I think there is; I am not quite sure.

Committees under Section 46 of the Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation.

219. ***MR. T. S. JAYANTAN NAMBOOTIRI** (*Travancore Jenmis, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reason or reasons for not appointing the Committee or Committees as per Section 46 of the Jenmi Kudiyan Regulation of 1071 as amended by Regulation XII of 1108?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Incom Tax Commissioner*): Committees have been appointed as per Section 46 of the Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation of 1071 as amended by Regulation XII of 1103.

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